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NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 5 Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 16th. January, 1899, at' 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a statement accounts to the 31st December, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 16th January, 1899, both days inclusive.

MEYER & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 30th December, 1898.

LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY

OF THE UNITED STATES.

RESULT OF 1898.

in-1897...... 32,699,103 Policies in Force£204,166,167 in 1897...... 198,159,549 Total Assets.....£.53,125,000

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considerable number of policy-holders residing in the Far East. W. H. TALBOT, Sub-manager for the East. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1899.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

(NOTICE OF CALL)

OTICE is hereby given that; at a of the above Company held at No. 5, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on the Sixth day of December, 1808, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

"That a FIRST and FINAL CALL of TEN DOLLARS (S10) per SHARE, upon "all the SHAREHOLDERS in the above "Company, in respect of all the shares held by them in the above Company, be and the same is hereby made. Such CALL to be PAID to the Company at their Bankers, the Hongkong And

By order of the Board of Directors, A SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND-INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. General Agents, THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.,

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Secretary. HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

Notice of Firms. NOTICE.

WE have This Day admitted Mr. ALEX-ANDER ALFRED HEINRICH FINKE a Partner on our FIRM, GROSSMANN & Co.

Hongkong, ist January, 1899.

NOTICE. FROM Date my business will be carried on under the STYLE and FIRM of GEO. R.

STEVENS & Co. GEO. R. STEVENS. Hongkong, 1st January, 1899.

NOTICE.

MR. GUSTAV ADOLPH DEGENER-BOENING retired from our FIRM on the 31st December, 1898. We have established a BRANCH of our FIRM at TSINTAU, (KIAO-Mr. C. SCHWENCHE has been authorized

to sign our FIRM by procuration in Hongkong from This Date. CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1899.

NOTICE THE business of DODWELL, CARLIEL 1 & Co. here and at Shanghai, Hankow. Yokohama, Kobe, Tacoma Wash., Portland Ore., Victoria, B.C., and Dock House, London has from This Day been transferred to, and will be conducted under the title of :-

DODWELL AND COMPANY, LIMITED! Mr. EDMUND SINGLETON WHEAL LER has been appointed Manager, and Mr. GEORGE HAROLD MEDHURST, Sub-Manager, at This Port. All Debts due to or by the FIRM of DOD-WELL CARLILL & Co. will be received or

paid by DODWELL & Co., Ld. Hongkong, 1st January, 1899.

CARMICHAEL & CO.

To-day's Advertigements.

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC

will produce a Pantomime entitled,, 'THE YELLOW DWARF,'

'HARLEQUIN THE KNAVE OF HEARTS, and the

FAIR PRINCESS. On the following dates :-5th January, 1899. TO-NIGHT, SATURDAY, WEDNESDAY, 11th

SATURDAY, 14th The TICKET OFFICE at the Theatre will be OPENED on THURSDAY, the 22nd Dec., at 10 A.M. and Seats can be booked from 10 A.M. 40' 4 P.M., every day; SUNDAYS and GENERAL HOLIDAYS excepted.

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Half Price to Soldiers and Sailors in uniform. to the Pit. Late Trams to the Peak a quarter of an hour after fall of the curtain. E. WYMITCHELL,

Jon. Secretary. Hongkong, 5th January, 1899. BELILIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE above School will RE-OPEN on 1 . MONDAY, the 9th instant. Mrs. BATEMAN, Head Mistress.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1899,

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY. A.REGULAR MEETING of the VIC.

A TORIA PRECEPTORY will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 14th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend. Hongkony, 5th January, 1899/

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL

THE Company's Steamship "WOOSUNG."

Captain Dowson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 5th January, 1899. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

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"TAICHOW? Captain Primrose, will be despatched for the CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 5th January, 1899. THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM. SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA THE Company's Steamship

"TALLEE," Captain H. Kock, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the oth instant, at This Steamer has Accommodation sfor

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 5th January, 1899.

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BIRTH. At Lifou-kung-mow Cotton Mill, Yangtsepoo Road, Shanghai, the wife of A. B. ROSENFELD, of a son. San Francisco and Japan papers please copy.

At 63A, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 26th of December, 1898, EMILY AUGUSTA JUKES, aged 26 years, eldest daughter of the Rev. W. Jukes, Rector of West Hackney, London. Very deeply-loved and regretted.

Che Pongkong Celegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

gone and now all that we have to do is to Board's meeting, the rumoured existence of patiently await the outcome of the enquiries plague in Canton is incorrect. he has made during his tour in the Far East. Lord CHARLES has laid before us the in- H.M.S. Edgar left for home at ten clock this with China the evils of which Lord CHARLES spoke, have long been matters of familiar interest. What we wished his Lordship to do was to make himself thoroughly con- now in the progress of the scheme for the connecferret out the facts for himself; they were all cut and dried and were matters of universal knowledge to the British community in facts to be laid before Lord CHARLES statements regarding affairs, and this purs proved by the statements of the state of affairs made by his Lordship during his short stay in the Colony.

Our local public bodies, and individuals as well, have for years past been striving to bring prominently before the British public the importance of the China question, but with little success. As Lord CHARLES pointed out, it is only recently that we have had a Minister at Peking who has grasped the idea that a Minister's duties were not solely confined to diplomatic questions but must of necessity include the fostering of trade and commerce. Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD has seen that our position in China depends upon our trade, and during his period of office been labouring under the disadvantage of having his hands tied by the Foreign Office to an extent, which we have hitberto not been able to appreciate. This must be borne in mind by the Bristish community and at the same time steps must be taken to. keep the grievances which we wish to see righted prominently before the Foreign. Office, which must be educated up to the recognition of the fact that such a place as China exists and that British interests in China are important and worthy of study.

Hitherto we have failed in our object to a most regrettable extent. We have been unable to rouse public opinion at home on roused. Efforts in this direction have been made in the Press and on public platforms but unfortunately have not appealed to the the requirements of commercial documents.

mind of the public and awakened the interest. of the masses. Lord CHARLES BERESFORD, as is well-known, has the ear of the people. and so he will be able to place the China question before Parliament through the electorate in a manner that would be impossible of accomplishment to any China resident, however enthusiastic he might be in his subject. It is not the result of Lord CHARLES' observations that will be placed before the British public so much the information that has been given to him by Chambers of Commerce and other public bodies in China, and it will be the personality of the speaker and not so much the urgency of the cause that will gain us a hearing. There are many men in China at present who could lay the matter before the electorate equally as well as Lord CHARLES BERESFORD we believe, but their words would not carry the same weight as his would do and their speeches and appeals would soon be forgotten. Lord CHARLES has not given us any clear idea of what line of policy he intends to advocate, but if he will only make matters clear at home China residents will have just cause for congratulation. We have had no Chinese policy hitherto and the adoption of one by the Government cannot but prove to be a move in the right IT comes out that several ladies went off as of events and hope for the best. The first 14.40 thing to be done is to arrest the policy of drift, after which, the first step having been taken, it will be comparatively easy to direct the policy of the Government, for we shall have at last gained the hearing for which we have laboured so long and vainly, cannot hope to do too much at once but. must be content with small beginnings.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN RE-INFORCEMENT FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, January 3rd. The American Government is hastening the despatch of re-inforcements for the Philippines and six regiments will leave within a fortnight. ---PORTUGAL

At the opening of the Cortes the King dwelt upon the necessity of preserving and developing the colonies in their entirety as a sacred heritage.

THE KHALIFA AGAIN ON THE WAR-PATH.

Reuter's Agency at Cairo wires that Col. Kitchener has started to assume the command of an expedition from Dulim against the Khalifa who is raiding the Arabs in that district.

OBITUARY. The Duke of Northumberland.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says :- On the at 11.45 a.m.: The barometer has risen on the China coast, particularly in the North. A high pressure area is central in N. China' with moderate gradients and Itesh Seal Forcast -neouerate to fresh N. E. winds ; fine.

LOGAL AND GENERAL.

LORD Charles Beresford left at mid-day for, or merely Prince Consort. Japan by the Coptle.

Lord CHARLES BERESFORD has come and | As will be seen from our report of the Sanitary

formation that he has been enabled to morning taking time-expired men from the gather at the different ports visited but he fleet. She was loudly cheered by the crews of has told us nothing new. We did not the different warships as she passed through expect him to do so, for to all conversant the man-o'-war anchorage and the compliment was returned with interest. QUEEN Victoria is taking a keen interest just

versant with our grievances and their impor- tion of Cape Town with Cairo. She conversed tance to British Trade in the Far East. with General Lord Kitchener on the subject. There was no necessity for him to during his recent visit to Her Majesty and expressed the hope that she would live to see it carried through.

China. All that was required was for these. THE voting for Chief and District Engineers for the Shanghai Fire Department took place on and opportunities given him of verifying our the 28th ulto, resulting in the re-election of Mr. L. Moore, Chief Engineer; and Messrs. P. A. pose has been satisfactorily accomplished as | W. Ottomeier, and District, and J. Gaillard 3rd District Engineer. The vacancy for Hongkew was not filled.

> THE Manila journal, Freedom, under date of 24th ulto, says:-Perhops before this paper come from the press, an expedition will be under sail for Iloilo. It will consist of the transports Arlzana, Newport and Penusylvauta; and the following troops :- The fist Iowa regiment, the 18th Infantry regulars Light Battery G., of the 6th U. S. Artillery, and we understand, the 2d Battalion of the ist. Tennessee regiment and some of the Idaho and Kansas. General Miller and staff will go on the Newport which will also carry a correspondent for Freedom.

has done much to advance British interests, THIS morning, says the Eastern World of the to be Sekiya Chojiro, called at the office of Messrs. Frazar & Co. where he presented a promissory note to Mr. Brenner, to the amount of Y75, purporting to have been made out by the manager of the Mitsui Bank, Tokyo, and wished to cash it, as he was in want of money. The note had a suspicious look and Mr. Brenner was pretty sure that-the manager of the Bank in question would not give any promissory note in his capacity as manager, Schiya was detained on some pretence and a foreign employed of the firm took the note to the Mitsui Ginko, and here it was immediately found that the note was a fraudulent one, the Bank, moreover, having no manager of the name given in the China question as it should have been the note. The police were immediately communicated with and Seklya was arrested, with the prospect before him of some leisure to study

THE Commissioner of Customs at Gensan Korea, recently preferred a case of smuggling before the Japanese Consular Court there against Yoshida, the owner of a Japanese junk which had hitherto been engaged in whaling in Korean waters. After trial, the case was dismissed by the Consular Court for want of

evidence. The Commissioner of Customs, however, would not accept the verdict, and has appealed to the Appeal Court at Nagasaki against the decision. The case will be heard soon after the winter vacation is over.

A KIRIN letter to the Shenpao states that the Russian officials in that city are engaging a large number of four-horse carts to convey heavy baggage (said to be army bagage, etc.,) from Hunchun, south of Passiet Bay, to Port Arthur, at a general price of Tls. 500 per cart for for the journey. No less than 4,000 such carts are said to be needed by Russian officials but that owing to the high prices officred there will be no trouble in obtaining this large number, as the carters say that, after deducting expenses in feeding themselves and their animals, each cart will make Tls. 200 to Tls. 300 for the trip.

direction. If the policy does not suit stow-aways in the U.S. troop ships last started us then we must requisition . Lord CHARLES for the Philippines. The Government ordered once more, but as matters now stand we that no women be allowed on any ship carrying. may well be content to watch the progress troops across the Pacific. Several volunteerofficers ordered to Manila had wives who were. determined enough to defy the Government in order to accompany their husbands. So they secreted themselves more or less mysteriously on the troop ships with their husbands, and are now half way across the Pacific. The newspapers mentioned this later, and Government orders have been sent by later and faster ships to put off the ladies at Honolulu.

According to an Imperial edict of the 27th ulto, the Empress Dowager is much pleased atthe generous gift of Tls. 100,000 given, by a Kinngsu notable to the Famine Relief Fund in aid of the distressed regions in North Kiangsu, and commands the Vicercy Liu to transmit the Imperial commendation to the philanthropic notable whose name is Li Ching-yung, who: few years ago gave a similar sum to relieve the distress in Chihli and Shantung caused by the Yellow River floods. For the last-named act of generosity Li Ching-yung was given the brevet button of the premier rank and an expectant Taotaiship, which, however, he has never appeared to use, keeping in perfect retirement in his home in Yangchow.-N. C. Daily

THE betrothal of young Queen Wilhelmina, who ascended the Dutch Throne in September last, to Prince William of Wied, a lieutenant in the Prussian Imperial Guard, will shortly be announced. This engagement is the result of an interesting romance. When Queen Wilhelmina was a Princess she had for a companion Princess Pauline of Wurtemburg and the two used, girlishly, to plan to marry brothers. Princess Pauline married a brother of Prince meeting Prince William and an attachment between them soon followed. Before the bans of this royal marriage are published the Dutch Government must decide whether Prince William of Wied will become King of Holland

THE repeated collisions recently both on A LAUNCH went out to-day to search for the Government and private railways is a matter of body of Wilson the late second steward of the grave concern, says the Japan Times. Govern ment railways are not quite so liable to this serious defect but occurrences of the nature are a little too frequent on private lines, especially on the Kyushu Railway, which has acquired an. uneaviable notoriety on this account. The latest news of this description is reported from the Koyama Station, on the Nippon Railway. On the 23rd ulto, when a down train reached the station in question by some unaccountable mistake it was shunted on to the track set apart for the trains of the Ryomo branch of the line, and collided with a Ryomo train just leaving the station. The locomotives of the two trains were badly damaged, while nine passengers on the Ryomo train were somously injured though fortunately not fatally.

A FOREIGN missionary writing to the Po IVen Puo says that three missionaries started on the 7th ult. from I-chou for Liucheng and when about 70 // from that city one of them was seized by the natives who bound him and mauled him seriously. He was at last released at the entreaty of the local authorities. On arriving at Liucheng on the 12th they sought; protection from the elders in the city. The next morning some 200 rowdies tried to intimidate them from reporting the robbery committed in their school to the officials and at the same time demanding 1000 strings of cash. On application for assistance at the prefectural city a deputy arrived two days afterwards and asked them to leave the place, but as the school question was pending and had not yet been satisfactorily suttled, they did not do so, For the next few days they remained in imminent danger; the rowdies took to frightening them at frequent intervals. Finally, the magistrate with 50 soldiers arrived and the appearance of a German man of war at a place in the vicinity helped to put things straight. After settling though it certainly appears as if he has 24th ulto, a Japanese, whose name is believed everything they started on the 17th back to

> THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SHORT RANGE CUP, AND SPOONS

Twelve members took part in this competition on Saturday Just at the 500 and 600 yards ranges. Sergeant-Major Wallace scored his first win for this Cup. Following are the best

500, 600, H'cay Total. C. S. M. Wallace * 48 ... 47 Mr. A. Read 40 Mr. A. Watson 46 Mr. Diggins 34 37 P. O. Walton P. O. Manning 45 36 Winners of Spoons

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Hongkong Sanitary Board was held this afternoon there being present the President (Dr. J. M. Atkinson), the Vice-President (Hon, F. H May), Hon. R. D. Ormsby, Mr. J. Dyer Ball Acting Registrar General, and Dr. Clarke. .The minutes of last meeting were read and

PLAGUE IN AND AROUND CANTON. The following letter from the British Consul at Canton concerning the reported existence of plague in Canton was read :--

I have the honour to state as a result of my enquiries that plague is not known to exist either in Canton or its neighbourhood. The Catholic Bishop, who has excellent means of obtaining information, says he has not heard of the existence of plague except in a Hongkong paper a week ago, and in that a village is mentioned which he has never heard of Dr. Kerr has also made enquiries and can hear of no cases. Of course it is possible that there may he sporadic cases, but I cannot hear even

Dr. Chung is making searching enquiry in native hospitals, and such like establishments and will communicate the result. His Excellency the Governor may rest assured that he will receive early notice from me of any disease which may assume an epidemic form in this port or its vicinity.

The following report made by Dr. Chung, o. the Tung Wah Hospital, of his investigation into the prevalence of plague in Canton and its neighbourhood was read :-

I have the honour to report that I went to Canton on the 26th ultimo by the night boat s.s. Tai-on to investigate into the presence of plague, reported to be present there.

Shortly after my arrival on the 27th I visited the Canton Hospital and interviewed Dr. Kerr, who informed me that there is no plague in Canton at present. On leaving his home, met Miss Dr. Wiles who has a very large practice among Chinese families in various parts of the city, and she too is of apinion that plague does not exist in the city or the suburbs

On the morning of the 28th I went to the native Kwang Chai Hospital, where I found about 100 out-patients waiting to be seen. 1. stood by and personally examined the patients while the consultation was going on. I found that most of them were suffering from chest complaints and some from intermittent fever and bowel complaints, but there was no case of plague. I walked round the hospital and found that there were only twenty patients in the wards, though the hospital had accommodation for one hundred patients." The Director. and doctor of that hospital informed me that there have been a good many cases of fever and influenza, and they attributed them to the long absence of rain.

From enquires made at the druggist and coffin shops in various parts of the city and suburbs, I learned that business in both was command to enable him to compel General

I am glad to bring to your notice that a Sanitary Bureau has been formed in Canton by a number of progressive Chinese literati with the sanction of the authorities. It has branch offices in different parts of the city. Its objects. are to remove accumulations of refuse, sweep the streets and toclean away: filth from

On the 20th I visited Fatshan, a large commercial town about to miles S. W. of Canton, and interviewed Dr. Anderson of the Wesleyan Mission Hospital. He informed me that he had seen three cases (two men and a woman) of Plague in villages near Fatshan within the last to days, and they were all in the last stage occasional and been occurring ever since spring of 1898.

I mext made investigations at the various druggist shops in that town and Joung that

ing in Canton, showed me a letter which he | deeply regret rupture but will, although through had recently received from a partner in Shin | no fault of their own, accept the inevitable, Tung Province, containing a statement that plague is very prevalent there and that about 3,000 of the inhabitants have died of it, but the their earnest desire for complete friendly settleletter did not mention within what period the i ment of all questions and impurital investigation deaths have occured.

1.—That there has been no plague, or only epidemic in the Spring of 1898.

prevalence of influenza and malarial This is all they ever asked for, 3.-That sporadic cases of plague are occur

ring in Fatshan and its vicinity. 4.-That plague probably exists to some entent along the North River. Regarding this Dr. Lowson will probably he able to

give some information.

The Acting Registrar General minuted the report—I hear from a private source that there have been cases of plague in Canton and neighbourhood. Within the last few weeks a native doctor is said to have attended several cases some of which had come in to Canton from the Nam Hoi District, and some were or the island of Honam opposite Canton:

Mr. Dyer Ball begged to withdraw his motion that in view of the alleged recrudescence of Bubonic Plague in Canton and its neighbour hood the Government be asked to take steps for the medical inspection of passengers from Canton whether arriving by river steamer or by native craft. He said he did not move in the tter without some cause; he held in his hand a letter in which it was stated that it was quite possible that there were more cases of plague than the Chinese cared to admit He thought they had sufficient evidence to show that the plague was not in the neighbourhood of Canton, and therefore wished to withdraw the motion for the present. He thought every precaution should be taken, however, because at any moment the disease may

change: from a sporadic to an epidemic form In reply to the Hon. F. H. May, the Chairman said that Dr. Lowson had informed him that after making most careful enquiries he could not even find the town in which the plague had been reported to be prevalent. He though from the information before them that the plague did not prevail in Canton nor its neigh

had been passed to regulate the fees to be charged for cattle either at the cattle depot at Kennedy Town or Hung Hom and suggesting that a bye law be drafted for the approval of the Legislative Council, fixing the scale of charge for cattle at 2 cents per head per day. Byc-laws were drawn up for submission to the Col. Secretary and approval of the Council.

MORTALITY, RETURNS. The mortality returns for Hongkong for the week ending 24th. December show a death rate of 18.9, and for the previous week 15:3 against 17.7 for the corresponding week of last year. In Mucow during the week ending it December there were 55 deaths, and 62 deaths during the following week.

A SAD STORY.

THE DEMORALIZATION OF JAMES JOSIAH

Many people will remember James Josiah Jones, who arrived in Hongkong some little time ago from England. The day after his arrival-he wrote the following letter to his people at home :-

"I have just arrived in Hongkong; it is a' wonderful and wicked place. What grieves the heart most is to see the poor fellows who draw, through the streets a vehicle, called a rickshaw. It's downright horrible cruelty; they are nothing more than beasts of burden and that the authorities should countenance such human degradation is scandalous. When I landed, about Twenty of these poor fellows crowded around me with their wehicles, each one begging and praying me to patronize him; it was a sad and awful sight. I scorned the idea of being drawn through the streets by a fellow man. I told them all how sorry I was for the degradation they had to suffer, and giving each of them to cents: I walked to my hotel as a good christian should . The poor fellows

Two weeks after James Josiah Jones appeared at the Police Court to answer three charges !-1.- Battering six 'rickshaw coolies. Refusing to pay legal 'rickshaw fare of

laughed with joy."

3.—Damaging two rickshaws. The next letter James Josiah Jones wrote to his friends at home concerning rickshaw coolies we dare not publish.

SERIOUS CRISIS IN THE

PHILIPPINES. Telegrams have been received here from

Manila reporting that Major-General Otis wired to Washington about two weeks ago requesting that more troops be sent to join his Aguinaldo to give up all. Spanish prisoners in his possession and also make the national (native) forces lay down their arins. It appears that the request has been granted and that Uncle Sam intends to possess himself of the whole of the Philippines-by force of arms, if

Owing to it having leaked out that General Otis is in receipt of instructions from the American War Department to " lake all the Islands" and that the troops sent a few days ago to Hollo will endeavour to force the native troops to surrender the city and the whole island of Panay to the United States forces the full swing has, we understand, been telegraphed to the Associated Press for publication imthe last epidemic, which worke out in the mediately in at least 3000 newspapers in the States and Europe :--.

The present serious crisis in the Philippines familiar prescriptions containing drugs which is entirely due to overt acts and unfair are said to be specific cures for plague are treatment of the Filipinos by the United occasionally being sent to them to be dispensed. States. Information obtained in Manila shows On my way back to Canton I visited many, that General Oris has received orners to lake villages along the river, but was unable to the whole of the Philippines and that troops obtain any reliable information, regarding the despatched to Visayas, in south, are under orexistence of plague and I did not see any signs | ders to take Hollo notwithstanding that it is of mourning over the doors of houses in the known the whole of the Visayas, including Livilo, are in full possession of Filipino national On the 30th Lagain called on Dr. Kerr for forces, The Filipinos are determined to prefurther information but he saw no reason to vent landing of American forces at Iloilo and change the opinion he expressed three days may, as last resort and for strategic purposes, destroy the city of Iloilo. A rupture of friendly I next made investigation in Honam, Fong relations; between national Filipino Govern-Chuew, and Fatel and learned that there has ment and the United States Executive in been a good deal of intermittent fever and Manila is imminent, and hostilities in the respiratory disease among the inhabitants, but Visayas are probable unless; unreasonable, unfair, and overbearing policy of the A salt merchant, in whose house I was stay- | Americans is not modified. Filipinos would Kwan, near the north border of the Kwang | Filipinos appeal to the American people to uphold the rights of mankind and avoid unnecessary bloodshed; also assure Americans of by special Commissioners. Filipinos bave The conclusions I draw from this enquiry | loyally supported and cooperated with Americans against a common anemy and look to the American nation to fulfil promises made to sporadic cases, in Canton since the last Aguinaldo in Singapore by United States officials before Aguinnide proceeded to assist 2.-That the rumours of the presence of an and cooperate with Admiral Dewey. Al infections disease in Canton and the neigh- the Filipinos ask is that they be allowed to bourning villages have arisen from the enjoy the truest and best rights of mankind,

> We understand that telegrams have also been sent to London to-day giving the substance of this message to the American Associated Press and pointing put that American property, in Hollo- and Cebu is practically nil and that in the event of hostilities it is chiefly British commercial interests that will suffer. We believe there sig some German property in Ilollo as well as that owned by British and Spanish merchants, The British warship Rattler is probably now

> On New Year's eve the Filipings sent their greetings to the Amercan people through the Associated Press, adding that it was their carnest prayer that with the new year would come the dawn of a new era of peace and prosperity and good fellowship with the free and beneficent people of the Union.

CHRISTMAS DAY FIRE AT SHANGHAJ.

Christmas day was ushered in by an alarm of fire in No. 2 district and thither the firemen directed their stops without, however, being able to find the location of the fire. At this time the watchman corrected himself and sounded three bells, and a start was then made. to No. 3 district, whence the fire was found to be in Amoy Road. Owing to so much time having been lost, when the firemen arrived on the scene of the fire, it was already blazing fiercely, both sides of the streets having already caught fire-and the heat was so intense as to render the thoroughfare impassable. The fire may fairly be said to have burned liself out, though credit must be given to the firemen for having circumscribed its area. In all twenty five houses were destroyed, or biherwise damaged. CATTLE DEPOT PRES.

A report was submitted by, the Colonial is said to be foreign owned. The tenants lost Veterinary Surgeon stating that no byo law their all being uninsured .- Mercury

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD AT

THE CITY HALL. A SUGGESTION. То так Поток от тик " Цохокого Тилканавил"

SIR,-Allow me to express through th medium of you columns the deep sense of indebtness, in which f feel the indefatigable and patriotic labours of Lord Charles Beresford, in his tour of investigation through the Far East, has placed not only his own countrymen, but also the subjects of other great nations whose good fortune it is to be able to carry on business in this prosperous colony under the aegis of the British flag, protected by Britain's strong arm and favoured in all commercial undertakings by just government and the grand free trade principles which have done so much to make the Briton's fatherland indeed a "Merrie, merriq England." It would be well for other nations if among their aristocracy there could be found a . few Beresfords-men able to render great service to a government and to their countrymen and even willing to spend their own fortunes in doing what they believe to be best both for the State and the People.

It is evident from the noble Lord's atterances of yesterday, that he has obtained a mass of useful information and doubtless much valuable data respecting the Chinese Government, the Chinese people and the foreign trade of the Chinese Empire. It is also clear that his Lordship hopes to enlighten the masses athome on the extremely difficult Chinese Problem, regarding which so much ignorance and grievous misunderstanding is evident even in high places in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. It is, I take it, one of by the Fuyun, and steamed rapidly against a Lord Charles Bereford's main objects in coming strong and bitterly cold wind to Woosung out here to be in a position, when he returns to passing the Red Buoy at 11.25 a.m. Duffel England to be able to instruct the British taxpaver, and bring his knowledge of Far Eastern affairs right up to date.

for such enlightenment of the masses in two of the Maxims. For the following particuthe mother-country and carnestly desires that the valuable information shall bring forth the Guyer: Revolutions, 300 per minute; Steam best results attainable, I beg to make a suggestion that will, I believe, if given effect to, greatly | receiver pressure, 33 lbs.; Airpressure in stokefacilitate the task which Lord Charles has, at | hole equal to 1.25 in., of water. The vessel's the urgent request of the Associated Chambers | draft was 2 feet forward and 1 foot 6 inches aft of Commerce, set out to accomplish. It is that | mean 1 foot 9 inches, there having been no steps should be taken without delay to give the time to put her in proper trin. She was thus people at home some idea of the vastness, down by the head, and she holds a terrible of the Chinese Empire; its exact geographical quantity of wind, notwithstanding which she position; the huge dimensions of the made 12.6 knots, her speed on trial at home, spheres of influence"; the enormous in best trim, and with no wind, having been population in each sphere—especially in the 13.6 knots. She made a complete circle under so-called "British sphere", the exact positions full steam in about 21 times her own of Weiheiwei, Port Arthur, Talienwan, Kiao- length, 7145 feet. There was very little chow, Gulf of Pechili, Tientsin, Peking, Shan- vibration when she was going at full haikwan, Newchwang, the Pciho, Lao, Yellow, speed, and though there was quite West, Min and Yangtze Rivers. Not one man sea enough in the Yangtze to thoroughly test at home out of every thousand has any but the her, not a joint, or a rivet showed a sign of haziest notions respecting the Geography of leaking everything working perfectly. On the China, nor the remotest idea of the vast- return voyage she anchored at Woosung for an ness and density of population in the various | hour, when an excellent tiffin, provided by the "spheres." A map of China on a fairly large | kindness of Captain Cochran, was very much scale showing clearly what I have here- enjoyed by all hands, who were only kept from in mentioned, distributed to few days in freezing by the geniality of the funnel. The advance throughout seigh town or district journey from Woosung to Tunkadoo was made in which, Lord Charles proposes to address | very quickly, with fair wind and tide, and after nucliences at home would, I feel con- the Woodcock had been made fast again to the fident, greatly assist the people to follow the | pontoon, the party returned to Shanghai in the speaker, and take deep interest in his utter- Fuyun. Although the weather was atrocious, ances, and it would help him to carry the and the temperature that of the 'Arctic regions whole nation with him in any plan he may the trip was very much enjoyed, and proved elaborate for the protection, and the fostering of | beyond a doubt the thorough fitness of the our trade and commerce with China, while | Woodcock for river work in China.-N. C. D. safeguarding, incidentally, the best interest of | News. the Chinese Government and people. The time has arrived when it is imperative that strong efforts be made to have this great China Question "comprehended", by the people and it is my belief that a cheaply got-up map China, Japan and Corea widely distri throughout the United Kingdom will go far towards enabling the masses to comprehend the vastness of the problem and the dangers with which it is surrounded, as the result of "drift" on one hand, and vigorous action and continuity of policy on the part, of the great Northern Colossus on the other; thus I make bold to ask for the favour of space in your popular columns.

Yours inithfully, OLD CHINA HAND. Hongkong, 4th January, 1899.

THE FRENCH CLAIMS ON THE YANGTSE.

I remain, Sir,

It is reported that the Tsungli Yamen, at the instance of the French Minister, has instructed the Viceroy of Nanking to give the French Consul-General the district of Pahsienjae in settlement of the difficulties arising out of the Ningpo Joss House riots in July last. This only a very small fraction of what the French originally asked for, their demands being for a large piece of Pootung, the whole of Tungkadoo, the new Chinese Bund and large extension of their Settlement towards Sicawei. But it is believed the present offer will be gladly accepted by the French, though it is likely to raise strong opposition on the part of foreigners of other nationalities of whom there are said to be some forty who own lots of land in the neighbourhood. What now becomes of the promise of the Tsung-li Yamen in writing. Sir Claude MacDonald that China would not alienate any portion of the Yangtze Valley to Foreign Power? The suburbs of Shanghal are surely included in the Yangtse Valley as much as a strip of land at Wuhu or Nanking itself would be. The principle is the same, and it remains to be seen whether or not Great Britain is prepared to stand by any principle in China. 'It is "said that the New Cometery is included in the district to be ceded to the French, but we can hardly believe such an outrage on the feelings of foreigners, who have their dead buried there, can be intended or would be allowed by our French neighbours. It also remains to be seon whether the Viceroy Llu Kun-yih will meekly accept such disagreeable and dangerous commands from the usurping Government in Peking after his strong declarations about not yielding to the outrageous demands of the French.-China Gazette.

THE REBELLION IN SZECHUEN.

Shanghai, December 29th. Affairs in Szechuen, according to the native papers to-day seems to grow more serious, Yu Man-tsi recently sent to invite the Commanderin-Chief to dinner, and after the dinner he gave Blankelm, performed a plucky act at Chatham a performance in his own theatre, after Dockyard on 25th November. As he was leawhich they were to discuss the terms for the release of the French priest now in the hands of the rebels. Instead of discussing the matter Yu Man-tsi seized on the Commander and locked him up and now burn, who was in full uniform; promptly demands a large sum of money for his release. plunged into the basin, though the night was the Brigadier General is unable to attack the intensely dark and there were chains between rebels and effect the release of the captives, as the Adelaide and other ships. Shouting for his soldiers he says are without training and lights to be brought, he kept himself and the if the soldiers attack the rebels they declare animal affort until both were assisted to land. they will kill the French missionary, so all the officials are greatly perplexed what to do to point out that she has not been docked for ten solve the difficulty of coping with such dangerous men. To our minds the real rebel Hongkong is becoming very urgent. Unfor the officials are greatly perplexed what to do to point out that she has not been docked for ten months, and the question of docking her at Hongkong is becoming very urgent. Unfor the large China Gazette.

Chengiu—China Gazette.

ANOTHER MISSIONARY MURDERED.

Jehang on the 28th ulto, and dated December 20th reports the murder of a French priest near Ichang and also two native Christian helpers. No further details are available. H.M.S. Esk

is stationed at Ichang. -It seems only too evident that the anti-Christian campaign having commenced in Szechuen is gaining strength: The only cause for wonder is that no steps appear to have been taken by the British and French governments. It is nouse to lock the stable door after the horse has gone. At present there are some four or five foreign missionaries known to have been milydered and among them an Englishman, the late Mr. Fleming, and Father Fleury, is now given up. Yet so far as we can ascertain no steps have been taken-by either of the two governments mentioned to prevent a repetition of such murders .- Mercury.

H. M. S. "WOODCOCK."

Shanghai 30th December. This light-draft twin-screw gunboat, of which we gave full particulars at the time of her christening, went for her steam trial yesterday morning. The party on board consisted of Commander Cohran, R.N., Lieut. Forbes, R.N., of H. M.S. Phania, Lieut. Watson. R.N., and Dr. Keith, R.N., of the Woodcock, Mr. Guyer, who has been putting her together, Mr. Mobsby, the pilot, and a few invited guests They left the Phanix at 8.45 a,m. in the Fuyun for Tunkdoo, and at once went on board, the new craft, which will be completely ready in in about ten days' time. Cast off from the pontoon at Tunkadoo at 9.45 a.m., attended coats were now served out from the ship's stores and found most comforting. Steamed a short distance up the Yangtre, taking advantage of As one who fully appreciates the necessity | the opportunity to try the to six-inch guns and lars we are indebted to the kindness of Mr. 135 lbs.; Vacuum, 26.25 inches; Lowpressure

THE TIDAL WAVE ON THE WEST COAST OF JAPAN.

A correspondent from Hamada, Iwami Ken, under date 26th ulto, says :- During the last few-days I have seen three or four notices of a Tidal Wave" on this Coast. This seems to have been pretty general all along this coast of

We were visited here by a tidal wave late on he thirteenth (not on the fourteenth, as in Pottori Ken); and it was accompanied by a single sharp shock of earthquake at about 5.30 p.m. (13th ulto,) The shock was exactly like what might be caused by an underground

or three men were injured, some boats were carried high up on shore, some fields were flooded, and in places were the hills are terraced almost down to the edge of the sea, considerable havec was wrought among the lowest

two terraces or so. severe typhoon the same night, which did a little damage, - Kobe Herald.

NAVAL AND MILITARY NOTES

(From Home Papers.)

The officers selected by the War Office to raise and train a native regiment for the garrison at Wei-hai-Wei, leave London on 15th of this month to join Colonel Bower, the officer in command. Colonel Bower is well known as a traveller in Thibet, and served as British Attaché in Peking during the war between China and Japan, His second in command is Major C. D. Bruce; of the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment), who has recently returned from Cairo, where he was engaged in the Intelligence Department of the Egyptian War Office during the Expedition to Omdurman. The other members of the Staff are Captain W. M. Watson, of the Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment), Captain A. A. S. Barnes, of the Wiltshire Regiment, Lieutenant. W. H. Dent, Princess of Wales's Own (Yorkshire Regiment), Lieutenant G. Molyneux-Montgomerie, Grenadier Guards: The noncommissioned officers selected for instruction arethree from the Guards, two from the Black Watch, and one from the Northumberland Fusiliers. The men among whom the regiment is to be raised are described as possessing considerable intelligence and physical

Sir James Heriot-Maltland, who is spoken of as likely to succeed Sir Frederick Grenfell at Cairo, served through the China war of 1857-59, and in the attack on the Peiho Forts under Rear-Admiral Hope he was first given the command of the marksmen on hoard a division of gunboats, and then, when the assault was resolved upon, was put in charge of the ladder

Commander Lewis Blackburn, of the cruiser.

than the breadth of the ship at her bilge keels, which in this class of vessel-are very low down. The difficulty of docking her is also greatly enhanced by the action of the tide running past A private lefter received at Shanghai from the dock entrance. The bottom of the ship is very foul, and it is stated that she cannot be docked until February, 1899, owing to the tides, and then only at risk to the ship. The above-mentioned dock is the only dock on the China Station in which even an attempt can be-made to dock the Victorious, and owing to her great draught, there are few harbours in the Far East where she can comfortably lay. The ship has lately beer, inspected by the Commander-in-Chief, resulting in a most creditable inspection report; this is all the more creditable to her energetic commander, considering the crew is compased of comparatively young men from the Channel Squadron.

> just issued, we gather that the total number of regulars of all arms in 1897 was 219,283. The strength on Jan. 1, 1898, was 221,003; on Jan. 1, 1897, it was 220,869; and in both 1895 and 1896 the numbers were over 222,000. The Volunteers do not muster as many as they have done in some former years, although their enrolled strength last year reached the creditable figure of 231,798. The number of names struck off as deserters continues large, being 3,669 during the year. The dispositions of our Army show that the Colonies, Egypt, and India still command the services of the larger half, 117,128 were on service abroad, against 102,155 at home, and of those abroad 74,224 were engaged in India. Of the home force Ireland, as in most other matters, gets her share. There were 23,693 troops stationed in the sister isle last year, against only 3,818 in Scotland.

From the annual return of the British Army,

The trials of the new quick-firing field guns at Okehampton, says a correspondent, have ended in something like a fiasco. On private ranges and before they left the hands of the manufacturers the guns did extremely well, fring up to sixteen rounds a minute; but when t came to the official trials they could only fire four rounds. The ordinary field guns can fire almost as quickly at short ranges, and are little inferior to the new arm as displayed at Okehampton, except in the matter of recoil. Various explanations have been advanced to account for the breakdown, and the most probable is that old 12-pounder ammunition and fuse have been employed, from some mistaken idea economy. It is necessary, in order that the quick-firers may have a fair chance, that an improved fuse should be used, with detachments considerably increased. It is evident that all idea of rearmament must be postponed until the private and service trials of the weapon have been brought into something like

Though the Admiralty have thought, it ! necessary to discourage competition in rapidity of construction between the dockyards, it is permissible to refer to the progress which is being made with certain ships. The Canopus at Portsmouth, could be rapidly completed if the necessity arose, and the final plates of the side armour of the. Ocean, of the same class, will be speedily in place. The Implacable, whose keel was laid on July 15, has since made progress at the rate of about 1,000 tons a month, and large quantities of material to be used in hereonstruction are continually arriving. No effort is to be made to establish any record for weight in launching her, as the slip is sorely needed for the Bultvark. The Implacable will be launched early this year, and the keel-plate for the Bultvark is being taken in hand on another slip, from which it will be transported in due course to that on which the Implacable is now being constructed. The keel-plate of the London will be laid about the 10th of this month. All the vessels mentioned are. of course, first-class battleships.

The French Army Estimates for next year amount to f.632,180,509 for the ordinary charges, and f. 15,817,600 for extraordinary charges. The effective on which these estimates are based is as follows: For the Active Army, 28,862 officers and 561,319 men; Gendarmery, 742 officers and 25,169 men. The number of horses is 142,333. These figures show a net increase of 461 officers and 179 men in the Active Army and 334 horses. | fullest form. Any Chemist can supply it. Sole The addition of the 179 men is due, says the Army and Navy Gazette, to variations in the China; -Watkins & Co., Hongkong, -[Advt. Staff of the Military Schools.

Great satisfaction is felt, alike in the Navy and in all circles where an intelligent interest is taken in naval matters, at the promotion of Admiral Sir Frederick Richards to the rank of Admiral of the Fleet. Born on Nov. 30, 1833, Here, three houses were washed away, two Admiral Richards completed his sixty-fifth year on 30th ult., and would be compulsorily retired had it not been decided to create an extra Admiral of the Fleet. By his promotion to the highest rank in the Navy the Admiralty will retain his services for five years longer. The best tribute to the value of those services is It was very stormy at the time, and we had a the confidence which Admiral Richards has succeeded in inspiring among his countrymen. It is not too much to say that the knowledge that he was First Sen Lord has of itself almost disarmed outside criticism of the Admiralty during the last few years. At the request of the First Lord, Sir Frederick Richards has consented to continue at the Admiralty as First Naval Lord until the middle of 1890, Admiral Richards was a member of the Hartington Commission on the Army and the Navy, and commanded the China Station from November, 1890, to February, 1892, before he was brought home to the Admiralty.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

Meleorological means based on ten years' observations to 1803. Barometer29.818 Humidity......77

TO-DAY. WEATHER REPORT. On date at On date at Barometer......30.32 Thermometer 58

Humidity 31 Rainfall TO-DAY,

Thursday, 5th January, 1899. Chinese-24th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kavang-sil. Moon-Last Quarter Johr. 58min. a.m.

High water-Morning shr. omin.
Afternoon zhr. somin. Low water-Morning 8hr. 8min. Afternoon 9hr. 30min. ANNIVERSARIES.

1642-Sir Isanc Newton born. 1757-Calcutta recaptured by Clive. 1827—Duke of York died. 1840-Decree of Emperor Tao-kuang prohi-

biting trade with the English.

1858—Commissioner Yeh captured.

1876—D. Smith, late chief officer of Canton river steamer Ichang, committed suit

1896-Village of Goi, Persia, destroyed by earthquake; 800 killed. The Govern-ylelded to the Chinese petition re the Light and Pass Ordnance.

Friday, 6th January, 1899. Chinese-25th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kavang-sil.

High water—Morning 2hr. 23min. Low water Morning Shr. 38min. Afternoon 11hr. 12min.

.1878-Great Fire at Tientsin 1,400 famine refugees burnt to death. 1889-Wreck of the British ship Anglo-Indian near Tamsui; Captain and 13 of the

crew drowned ,1890-Messrs. Henry and Victor Roque, Captain Roze, Mr. Costa, and Messrs. Roque's Compradore attacked by pirates at Dongtrieu, Tonquin; Captain Roze murdered and the rest of the party_were taken prisoners and held for ransom until 7th March.

1896-National Reform Committee arrested at Johannesburg.

1897-The dismasted British barque West York sold at auction for \$5,800.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

. MAILS DUE.

Indian (Chelydra) to-morrow. Australian (Changsha) to-morrow. English (Bengal) 7th inst. Australian (Guthrie) 8th inst. Indian (Lightning) 10th inst. German (Presessen) 11th inst. American (City of Peking) 20th inst. American (Gaelic) 21st inst.

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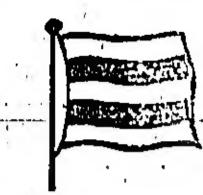
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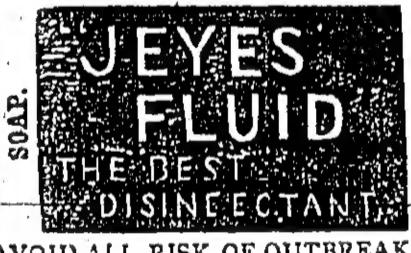
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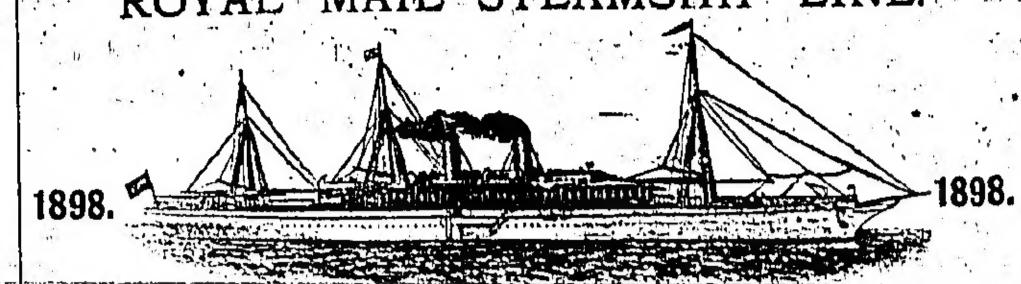
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Hongkong, 16th December, 1898. [1310]

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Carlisle City..... | 3,002 | | Jan. 1 Carmarthenshire | 2,929 | | Feb. 14 THE Steamship

"CARLISLE CITY." will be despatched for SAN DIEGO VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND, SEA, YOKO-HAMA and HONOLULU, on or about

the 15th January. Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States. Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the Office until the same

time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required. Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For futher information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE; Agents. Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 8th November, 1898. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULÚ. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Saturday, 21st Jan., Kobe, Inland Sca, Yokohama & Hono-

lulu) China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Thursday, 16th Feb., land Sea, Yokohana at Noon.

and Honolulu) City of Rio de Janeiro - (via Shanghai, Naga-Tuesday, 14th March, -saki,-Kobe, Inland Sca, Yokohama and

Honofulu) THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING." will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, The SHANGHAL NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU,

on SATURDAY, the 21st January, at Noon,

taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,

lourney at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States of Canada, Rates may be ob-

tained on application. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail. Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACI-FIC, UNITED PACIFIC, DENVER and LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLU-RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC LU, on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at Noon. RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC | Steamers of this line pass through the IN-RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to LAND SEA OF-JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVER | journey at any point en route. direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago tained upon application. to destination the choice of direct lines, Particulars of the various routes can be had to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,

on application, " Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, to Government officials and their families. Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European

San Franscisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.

the day previous to sailing, Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo desfined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the

United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,

No. 7, Praya Central. Hongkony, 28th December, 1898,

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR NGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADED, SUEZ PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG. PORTS, IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN · PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON

TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B .- CARGO. CAN. BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRIN-CIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.) Prins Heinrich ... | Friday | 6th Jan. Preussen | Wednesday | 1st Feb. Sachsen | Wednesday | 1st March. Bayern..... | Wednesday | 29th March. Prins Heinrich... | Wednesday | 26th April. Preussen Wednesday | 24th May.

N FRIDAY, the 6th day of January, 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain O. Cuppers, with MAILS-PASSENGERS SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on WEDNESDAY, the ath January. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on THURSDAY, the 5th January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on Thursday, the 5th January. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to MÉLCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, 30th December, 1896. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,

AND EUROPE; THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, Guelle (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- [Tuesday, 31st Jan.,

land Sen, Yokohama-(1899, at Noon.

and Honolulu). and passengers are allowed to break their Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In- [Saturday, 25th Feb., land Sen, Yokohama and Honolulu).

THE Company's Steamship

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO. via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-

and passengers are allowed to break their LAND CITIES in the United States have, Through Passage Tickets granted to Engbetween SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, land, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, of the United States or Canada. Rates, and DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other particulars of the various Routes may be ob-

Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Special rates (first class only) are granted to Officials in the service of China and Japan, and Passengers who have paid full fare, re-em-Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transport- a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan not apply to through fares for China and Japan.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at

the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs,

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent Hongkong, 5th January, 1899.

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